

Mobile Home Advisory Board [MHAB]

Meeting Notes

July 25, 2016



1. Call to Order:

Chair Dan Kittredge called the MHAB meeting to order at 5:58 PM, at Huntington Beach City Hall, 2000 Main Street, Room B-8, Huntington Beach, CA.

2. Roll Call:

Members Present: Mary Jo Baretich, Don Castleman, Mike Cirillo, Sharon Dana, Tim Geddes (Chair Elect), Daniel Kittredge (Chair), and Manuel Vizinho

Member Absent: Patricia Taylor

Staff Present: Duran Villegas and Denise Bazant

3. Approval of the Meeting Notes from April 25, 2016:

Motion made by Vizinho, seconded by Dana, to approve the meeting notes of April 25, 2016. Minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Public Comments (agenda items): None

5. New Business:

Presentation by Cosette Conaway, Community Education & Outreach Manager, SoCalGas, regarding Mobile Home Park Utility Upgrade Program – Conaway introduced Christopher Baker, Project Manager, So Cal Gas, and Theresa Maisen, Senior Account Executive, So Cal Gas, and presented a PowerPoint to the Board regarding the Utility Upgrade Program. She mentioned that the Utility Upgrade Program is a volunteer program to install individual meters for gas and electricity to mobile homes. Park owners/managers applied to participate in a 3-year pilot program and the CPUC selected parks who met the program criteria to participate. Two (2) parks in Huntington Beach have been selected. She discussed the program background, what upgrades will mean to the mobile home parks participating in the program, and what to expect during the upgrade process. Questions from the board and audience were asked and answered regarding new meters, abandon gas lines, concerns of increased gas bills, construction scheduling, and park participation. Conaway mentioned that the State's goal is to complete utility upgrades to 10% of California parks.

6. Old Business:

Discussion on Promoting Public Attendance at the Mobile Home Advisory Board Meetings (Taylor) – On July 19, 2016, Taylor emailed staff regarding a draft article to be inserted into newsletters that are distributed to various parks. The Board reviewed the article.

7. Public Comments (non-agenda items):

- Cindy S. Van der Wyk, resident of Skandia Mobile Homes and sales agent for JR Manufactured Homes, spoke regarding consistency when receiving approval to sell a mobile home. She suggested a standard check off list that all park owners/ managers that could be distributed to agents.
- Sandy Harrington inquired as to lease distribution at Huntington Shorecliffs. Cirillo indicated the lease will be released soon.

- Ada Hand, HOA President of Del Mar Estates Mobile Home Park, spoke regarding a letter sent to the MHAB on July 14, 2016, regarding Blue Zone projects.
- Jerry Bleiweiss spoke regarding rent stabilization and occupants under the age of 55 residing in Rancho Huntington.

8. Member Comments:

Dana and Baretich mentioned that the Utility Upgrade Program presentation was very informative.

Geddes thanked the audience for attending and speaking during public comments.

9. Next Meeting Agenda Items:

Cirillo would like to hear more information regarding Blue Zone.

Geddes would like information regarding two-story mobile homes.

10. Adjournment:

Moved by Geddes and seconded by Vizinho to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm to the next regular scheduled meeting of October 24, 2016, at 6:00 pm, held at City Hall, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, Lower Level, Room B-8.